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(d) If the farm is situated in more than one State, county or parish, the loan will be serviced by the County Office servicing the county in which the borrower's residence is located. If the borrower is a corporation, cooperative, partnership or joint operation or if the borrower's residence is not on the farm, the loan will be serviced by the County Office servicing the county in which the farm or a major portion of the farm is located.

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§ 1965.3 Borrower's responsibilities.

Each borrower is responsible for repaying principal and interest on a timely basis pursuant to the loan documents, paying real estate taxes in accordance with subpart A of part 1925 of this chapter, providing adequate property insurance in accordance with subpart A of part 1806 of this chapter (FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 Instruction 426.1), maintaining, protecting, and accounting to the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 for all real estate security, and complying with other loan requirements.

[51 FR 4140, Feb. 3, 1986, as amended at 57 FR 36592, Aug. 14, 1992]

§ 1965.4 FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354's responsibility.

The County Supervisor, District Director or other servicing official is responsible for informing borrowers of their responsibilities in connection with the loan, seeing that the security is being properly maintained and accounted for, and servicing the account and security in accordance with this subpart. When a borrower fails to maintain, protect, or account for the security, as required by the loan documents, or makes unauthorized disposition or use of any security, FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 will institute prompt action to protect FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354's interest. The County Supervisor, District Director or other servicing official will obtain any needed legal advice from the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) through the State Director. Once a

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case has been referred to the OGC for legal action, no further action will be taken by the County Supervisor, District Director or other servicing official without prior clearance from OGC. If the case has been referred to the U.S. Attorney, clearance with the U.S. Attorney will be obtained through the OGC. All FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 employees will document actions taken to service a loan in the running case record in the borrower's FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 file(s). When a servicing action affects a borrower's account (e.g., a foreclosure action is pending), the appropriate FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 servicing official will notify the Finance Office.

§ 1965.5 Servicing certain insured Farm Ownership (FO) loans.

(a) *Servicing actions.* When an insured FO mortgage running to the lender as mortgagee is not held by the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 under trust assignment, or declaration of trust, or in the insurance fund (called insured FO mortgage held by the lender in this subpart) and a written subordination or partial release or other servicing document is requested, the document will be executed by the holder on a form prepared or approved by OGC. In those cases, execution of the document will constitute consent.

(b) *Execution of documents.* The County Supervisor is authorized to execute on behalf of the Government, all necessary forms, satisfactions, releases, and other documents required to complete any transactions in this subpart after the transaction has been approved by the appropriate approving official. The documents will be executed on behalf of the United States in the following form:

(1) "United States of America," when the mortgage names the United States as mortgagee, or when a mortgage running to the lender is not under a trust or declaration of trust and the note is held by the insurance fund.

(2) "United States of America, for Itself and as Trustee," when an FO mortgage is held by the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-